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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, JUNE QUARTER 1969

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the quarter ended 30 June 1969. In addition, analyses of disputes by workers involved (directly or indirectly) and by total working days lost for the years 1966, 1967 and 1968 are shown in Tables 4 and 5.

The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more. The Australian figures include disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. For the estimated loss in wages shown in Table 2, any discrepancies between totals and the sums of industry groups are due to rounding.

An industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry group in a State or Territory is counted once only in the number of disputes - in the industry group that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industry groups. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. Disputes not settled at the end of a quarter are not counted in the number of disputes for the following quarter, but additional workers involved and working days and wages lost are included.

For further information about these statistics see Labour Report No. 52, 1965 and 1966.

TABLE 1. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number	Workers involved			Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (\$'000)
		Directly	Indirectly	Total	Number	Average per worker involved	
1964	1,334	528,817	16,811	545,628	911,358	1.67	8,561
1965	1,346	460,234	14,810	475,044	815,869	1.72	8,198
1966	1,273	384,970	9,881	394,851	732,084	1.85	7,302
1967	1,340	472,169	11,105	483,274	705,315	1.46	7,263
1968	1,713	700,824	19,497	720,321	1,079,464	1.50	12,115
1967 June qtr	367	167,121	2,659	169,780	166,323	0.98	1,623
Sept. "	348	182,554	6,051	188,605	333,679	1.77	3,497
Dec. "	293	51,261	1,488	52,749	108,011	2.05	1,170
1968 March qtr	370	218,653	6,471	225,124	378,602	1.68	4,031
June "	451	133,003	5,133	138,136	222,322	1.61	2,757
Sept. "	468	160,877	2,883	163,760	237,390	1.45	2,627
Dec. "	424	188,291	5,010	193,301	241,150	1.25	2,700
1969 March qtr	498	184,293	23,602	207,895	332,878	1.60	3,938
June "	401	729,774	4,607	734,381	968,634	1.32	10,783

NOTE. For definitions, particulars of coverage of these statistics, etc. see text above.

TABLE 2. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRY GROUPS, JUNE QUARTER 1969

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
NUMBER OF DISPUTES							
Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	35	..	10	..	..	..	45
Other mining and quarrying	1	..	..	..	3	3	7
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	71	13	15	1	4	..	105
Textiles, clothing and footwear	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Food, drink and tobacco	18	6	8	..	2	1	35
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Paper, printing, etc.	2	1	..	..	1	..	4
Other manufacturing	20	5	2	2	1	1	31
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	111	25	25	3	8	2	175
Building and construction	28	21	13	1	3	1	73
Railway and tramway services	3	..	1	..	1	..	5
Road and air transport	3	3	1	1	1	2	12
Shipping	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Stevedoring	22	25	5	3	6	4	65
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	6	1	..	..	..	1	9
Other industries (b)	5	2	..	1	..	..	8
<u>TOTAL</u>	215	78	55	9	22	13	401

WORKERS INVOLVED (DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY)

Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	15,130	..	3,071	196	550	..	18,947
Other mining and quarrying	55	..	1,500	180	4,962	455	8,052
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	88,801	68,231	43,174	36,648	3,215	..	243,169
Textiles, clothing and footwear	350	..	2,700	2,100	100	..	5,250
Food, drink and tobacco	16,963	6,095	19,499	5,482	290	37	48,566
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	500	2,100	2,250	548	200	..	5,748
Paper, printing, etc.	564	232	5,100	191	352	..	6,639
Other manufacturing	8,606	6,635	3,823	9,748	279	252	29,543
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	115,784	83,293	76,546	54,717	4,436	289	338,915
Building and construction	33,048	32,022	32,761	9,569	5,112	43	117,418
Railway and tramway services	10,594	23,173	13,099	2,927	8,676	..	58,659
Road and air transport	7,502	30,110	20,350	3,712	3,700	2,792	68,821
Shipping	673	355	900	224	..	..	2,152
Stevedoring	12,712	21,208	4,844	2,929	4,571	1,731	48,172
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	15,223	4,513	3,300	1,379	150	39	26,504
Other industries (b)	9,642	20,517	8,550	7,032	150	..	46,541
<u>TOTAL</u>	220,363	215,191	164,921	82,865	32,307	5,349	734,181

(a) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Communications; Finance and property; Wholesale and retail trade; Public authority (n.e.i.) and Community and business services.

NOTE. For definitions, particulars of coverage of these statistics, etc. see page 1.

TABLE 2. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRY GROUPS, JUNE QUARTER 1969 - continued

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
WORKING DAYS LOST							
Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	21,602	..	3,254	196	550	..	25,602
Other mining and quarrying	55	..	1,500	177	6,771	367	9,770
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	114,269	140,575	47,011	37,216	4,619	..	346,490
Textiles, clothing and footwear	350	..	2,700	2,100	100	..	5,250
Food, drink and tobacco	14,961	10,937	21,414	5,446	295	111	53,364
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	500	4,200	2,250	500	200	..	7,800
Paper, printing, etc.	616	500	5,100	179	526	..	7,121
Other manufacturing	12,391	10,588	3,820	9,929	305	65	37,298
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	143,087	166,800	82,295	55,370	6,045	176	457,323
Building and construction	38,203	67,800	36,244	9,585	5,763	68	162,922
Railway and tramway services	12,102	34,225	13,687	2,927	9,026	..	72,192
Road and air transport	8,479	45,552	20,350	3,708	4,400	2,913	86,057
Shipping	1,010	710	900	224	..	..	2,844
Stevedoring	10,095	42,376	3,745	2,185	4,229	1,887	64,767
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	15,300	3,395	3,300	1,171	150	39	25,193
Other industries (b)	9,897	35,525	9,194	6,548	150	..	61,964
<u>TOTAL</u>	259,830	396,383	174,469	82,091	37,084	5,450	968,634

ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES (\$'000)

Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	261.6	..	36.1	2.4	6.1	..	306.1
Other mining and quarrying	0.8	..	15.0	1.9	73.3	4.1	105.1
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	1,262.2	1,628.3	473.4	477.0	55.8	..	3,927.2
Textiles, clothing and footwear	4.0	..	27.0	15.5	1.1	..	47.6
Food, drink and tobacco	166.2	121.7	222.9	51.7	3.1	1.3	569.0
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	6.0	42.0	22.5	5.2	2.2	..	79.5
Paper, printing, etc.	6.7	10.0	51.0	2.0	7.8	..	79.6
Other manufacturing	153.3	113.8	38.2	109.3	3.4	0.8	420.9
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	1,598.3	1,915.8	835.0	660.6	73.3	2.1	5,123.8
Building and construction	452.5	953.1	372.8	109.3	64.1	0.6	2,015.9
Railway and tramway services	112.9	358.4	136.8	27.4	104.8	..	742.7
Road and air transport	84.8	395.8	203.5	39.7	48.4	28.5	807.9
Shipping	10.8	12.6	9.0	2.4	..	..	34.8
Stevedoring	111.6	471.0	41.7	24.2	47.1	20.8	719.2
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	173.0	37.3	33.0	8.8	1.7	0.3	271.8
Other industries (b)	115.2	373.6	95.2	62.7	1.7	..	655.5
<u>TOTAL</u>	2,921.5	4,517.5	1,778.1	939.5	420.4	56.3	10,782.7

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TABLE 3. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (a)
NUMBER OF DISPUTES							
1964	828	206	198	55	26	8	1,334
1965	832	208	186	48	33	17	1,346
1966	835	179	171	42	25	14	1,273
1967	836	212	159	55	26	29	1,340
1968	965	327	193	83	70	28	1,713
1968 - June qtr	246	97	50	20	15	10	451
Sept. "	277	85	49	18	21	5	468
Dec. "	233	73	56	21	22	4	424
1969 - March qtr	280	87	61	21	33	6	498
June "	215	78	55	9	22	13	401
WORKERS INVOLVED (DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY)							
1964	229,076	190,075	92,696	23,040	6,165	1,898	545,628
1965	251,056	121,798	53,569	28,466	12,611	5,131	475,044
1966	210,016	101,490	68,731	8,760	2,876	2,541	394,851
1967	320,241	84,521	46,251	17,447	5,071	6,207	483,274
1968	355,479	172,803	120,180	39,418	18,684	7,767	720,321
1968 - June qtr	78,502	37,462	8,743	4,695	3,347	4,048	138,136
Sept. "	62,460	28,708	61,831	5,104	3,695	944	163,760
Dec. "	102,797	44,241	22,456	11,361	8,956	701	193,301
1969 - March qtr	102,748	55,824	23,762	8,324	15,567	648	207,895
June "	220,363	215,191	164,921	82,865	32,307	5,349	734,181
WORKING DAYS LOST							
1964	320,568	359,567	157,571	62,785	7,148	1,939	911,358
1965	367,942	214,300	189,941	26,379	10,020	3,894	815,869
1966	400,111	219,605	80,692	20,903	6,239	3,119	732,084
1967	468,034	107,312	88,186	18,691	5,994	7,290	705,315
1968	583,406	243,924	158,615	51,082	21,762	13,037	1,079,464
1968 - June qtr	143,454	37,930	23,489	7,592	3,159	5,065	222,322
Sept. "	104,308	51,003	67,214	6,355	4,776	1,972	237,390
Dec. "	128,539	51,616	33,614	11,952	10,020	2,394	241,150
1969 - March qtr	169,097	90,412	25,112	16,755	30,292	672	332,878
June "	259,830	396,383	174,469	82,091	37,084	5,450	968,634
ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES (\$'000)							
1964	2,996.2	3,428.2	1,453.3	585.2	62.6	18.0	8,560.9
1965	3,479.1	2,061.6	2,221.2	253.3	100.8	41.4	8,198.5
1966	4,026.0	2,097.2	860.8	199.7	64.5	34.8	7,302.5
1967	4,804.6	1,106.6	886.7	199.0	62.6	82.3	7,263.1
1968	6,653.5	2,731.3	1,701.2	514.6	281.8	149.0	12,115.2
1968 - June qtr	1,891.6	445.7	248.8	72.5	33.0	49.3	2,756.8
Sept. "	1,133.3	608.8	719.8	66.2	54.6	24.8	2,627.4
Dec. "	1,406.5	576.1	372.4	113.6	160.7	35.7	2,700.4
1969 - March qtr	1,999.8	1,073.5	281.6	196.9	371.1	8.3	3,937.7
June "	2,921.5	4,517.5	1,778.1	939.5	420.4	56.3	10,782.7

(a) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

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TABLE 4. ANALYSIS OF INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES BY WORKERS INVOLVED (DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY) : AUSTRALIA

Number of workers involved (directly and indirectly)	Year	Number	Workers involved (directly and indirectly)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (\$'000)
			Number	Per cent of total	Number	Per cent of total	
Under 50	1966	453	11,848	3.0	27,751	3.8	285.5
	1967	440	11,853	2.5	27,128	3.8	287.1
	1968	572	15,464	2.1	34,229	3.2	419.9
50 and under 100	1966	277	20,050	5.1	45,265	6.2	479.5
	1967	277	19,721	4.1	33,042	4.7	357.3
	1968	335	23,380	3.2	46,742	4.3	531.6
100 and under 200	1966	224	32,001	8.1	69,840	9.5	736.0
	1967	266	38,212	7.9	69,662	9.9	751.1
	1968	318	45,166	6.3	85,743	7.9	972.5
200 and under 400	1966	185	51,506	13.0	89,269	12.2	877.8
	1967	209	57,014	11.8	96,698	13.7	996.6
	1968	238	66,114	9.2	127,670	11.8	1,456.0
400 and under 1,000	1966	69	43,303	11.0	128,716	17.6	1,247.2
	1967	95	61,811	12.8	120,587	17.1	1,271.4
	1968	148	93,812	13.0	156,926	14.5	1,730.6
1,000 and under 2,000	1966	45	68,190	17.3	108,896	14.9	1,142.0
	1967	27	38,942	8.1	65,994	9.4	668.9
	1968	49	69,343	9.6	128,490	11.9	1,375.3
2,000 and under 3,000	1966	3	7,255	1.8	80,097	10.9	827.1
	1967	7	17,799	3.7	17,527	2.5	165.6
	1968	14	34,282	4.8	27,614	2.6	291.7
3,000 and over	1966	17	160,698	40.7	182,250	24.9	1,707.3
	1967	19	237,922	49.2	274,677	38.9	2,765.2
	1968	39	372,760	51.7	472,050	43.7	5,337.6
Total	1966	1,273	394,851	100.0	732,084	100.0	7,302.5
	1967	1,340	483,274	100.0	705,315	100.0	7,263.1
	1968	1,713	720,321	100.0	1,079,464	100.0	12,115.2

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2. For statistics for previous years, see Labour Report No. 52, 1965 and 1966, pages 227-8.

TABLE 5. ANALYSIS OF INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES BY TOTAL WORKING DAYS

LOST : AUSTRALIA

Total working days lost	Year	Number	Workers involved (directly and indirectly)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (\$'000)
			Number	Per cent of total	Number	Per cent of total	
10 and under 100	1966	629	38,674	9.8	26,066	3.6	258.0
	1967	691	47,530	9.8	30,434	4.3	311.7
	1968	827	57,572	8.0	34,342	3.2	372.4
100 and under 500	1966	428	78,368	19.8	100,941	13.8	1,021.6
	1967	453	95,262	19.7	108,160	15.3	1,133.6
	1968	598	134,163	18.6	143,956	13.3	1,606.7
500 and under 1,000	1966	106	43,793	11.1	74,182	10.1	744.1
	1967	98	42,007	8.7	70,113	9.9	742.6
	1968	128	63,153	8.8	91,378	8.5	1,012.5
1,000 and under 2,000	1966	54	41,507	10.5	79,222	10.8	782.4
	1967	53	43,933	9.1	75,948	10.8	777.1
	1968	78	77,889	10.8	110,951	10.3	1,322.6
2,000 and under 5,000	1966	36	73,407	18.6	119,636	16.3	1,182.5
	1967	26	48,371	10.0	81,581	11.6	818.0
	1968	52	106,727	14.8	175,111	16.2	1,949.4
5,000 and under 10,000	1966	9	50,944	12.9	63,534	8.7	599.8
	1967	7	17,532	3.6	47,048	6.7	480.6
	1968	13	58,116	8.1	99,047	9.2	1,094.7
10,000 and over	1966	11	68,158	17.3	268,503	36.7	2,714.1
	1967	12	188,639	39.0	292,031	41.4	2,999.5
	1968	17	222,701	30.9	424,679	39.3	4,756.9
Total	1966	1,273	394,851	100.0	732,084	100.0	7,302.5
	1967	1,340	483,274	100.0	705,315	100.0	7,263.1
	1968	1,713	720,321	100.0	1,079,464	100.0	12,115.2

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